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## **Governor Brewer Issues Emergency Declaration for Yavapai County**

*Assists with Response to Doce Fire, Authorizes Mobilization of Arizona National Guard*

PHOENIX – Governor Jan Brewer today signed a Declaration of Emergency in response to the fast-growing Doce Fire, in Yavapai County. The fire is burning through the Prescott National Forest, about 8 miles northwest of town.

The declaration makes available \$100,000 from the Governor's Emergency Fund to support emergency response and recovery efforts associated with the fire. Funds disbursed by the Declaration are not available to reimburse homeowners for damage caused by the fire or evacuation costs. The Declaration also authorizes the Adjutant General to mobilize the Arizona National Guard as necessary to protect life and property.

Governor Brewer is authorized under state statute to declare a State of Emergency. The Declaration directs the following actions:

- a. Declares that a State of Emergency exists in Yavapai County due to the Doce fire, effective June 18, 2013, and continuing; and
- b. Directs that the sum of \$100,000 from the general fund be made available to the Director of the Arizona Division of Emergency Management to be expended in accordance with A.R.S. §35-192, A.A.C. R8-2-301 to 321, and Executive Order 79-4; and
- c. Directs that the State of Arizona Emergency Response and Recovery Plan be used to direct and control state and other assets, and authorizes the Director of the Arizona Division of Emergency Management to coordinate state assets; and
- d. Authorizes the Adjutant General to mobilize and call to activate all or such part of the Arizona National Guard as is determined necessary to assist in the protection of life and property throughout the State.

Additionally, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has approved the State's request for a Fire Management Assistance Grant. This will make available federal funding to reimburse 75 percent of the State's costs for fire suppression and related actions, such as evacuations and sheltering operations.

The Doce Fire, which is currently 0 percent contained, has burned approximately 6,500 acres, and is threatening numerous homes and communities. A Southwest Area Interagency Type-1 Incident Management Team has assumed management of firefighting activities.

The Arizona Division of Emergency Management activated the State Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at 9 a.m. Wednesday in support of Yavapai County. The EOC will monitor the Doce Fire and coordinate the State response to local resource requests.

Once the fire is contained, Preliminary Damage Assessment teams comprised of representatives of state and local governments will conduct field surveys of the fire damage and identify communities at risk for post-fire flooding.

For real-time incident updates, preparedness and hazard information, visit the Arizona Emergency Information Network (AzEIN) website, [www.AzEIN.gov](http://www.AzEIN.gov).

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